



Southwestern Michigan College Board Policy – Security on Southwestern Michigan College Properties

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DIVISION I – GENERAL

I.25 SECURITY ON SOUTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE PROPERTIES

The President of the College may designate persons to provide for the safety and security of Southwestern Michigan College’s campus’ (those properties owned, leased or otherwise possessed by the College); these designated persons may be authorized to carry firearms or other dangerous weapons in the course of their duties.

With the exception of these designated persons, law enforcement officials and those legally authorized by the laws of the state of Michigan, no person may bring any firearm, explosive or other dangerous weapon on any Southwestern Michigan College campus.

Such violation of this policy shall be grounds for immediate dismissal and/or removal from such campus or property.

In addition, the President, or their designee, may limit the use or possession of weapons in certain buildings and locations at their discretion.

For purposes of this policy a firearm means any weapon or device from which is propelled any missile, projectile, bullet, shot, pellet or other means by means of explosives, compressed air or gas or by means of springs, levers or other mechanical device.

Also for purposes of this policy a dangerous weapon means a knife, stabbing instrument, brass knuckles, blackjack club, or other object specifically designed or customarily carried or possessed for use as a weapon; an object which is likely to cause death or bodily injury when used as a weapon and is used as a weapon or carried or possessed for use as a weapon; and any other object or device that is used or fashioned in a manner to lead a person to believe the object or device is one of the objects or devices described above.

The President, or their designee, shall ensure that further rules and policies will be enacted regarding the implementation of this policy.